



## CARSON CITY, NEVADA

CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND STATE CAPITAL

August 6, 2015

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Tom Wheeler  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I write individually in my capacity as Mayor of Carson City, Nevada. As Mayor I work diligently to ensure that our citizens are afforded the best consumer services available. In that regard I would like to express my support for a potential merger in the telecommunications industry that I believe will strengthen our broadband infrastructure and promote a free and open Internet.

The merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks into New Charter would enhance the ability of Charter to continue its technological investments in our area. I have witnessed the operations of Charter in northwestern Nevada over the last several years and can relate that Charter has been a driver of technological advancement by contributing money and resources to improving our broadband infrastructure. With respect to the instant merger, I am advised that New Charter would not only commit \$2.5 billion to constructing new commercial networks across its national footprint but would also promote many policies and initiatives that put customers first such as a commitment to network neutrality. To consumers this would mean no data caps or usage-based billing for any customer under any broadband plan. It is critical that a company like New Charter would guarantee to uphold an equal-access Internet.

New Charter has the potential to bring many benefits to our community. As you review this transaction I would respectfully ask that you keep these benefits in mind.

Sincerely,



Mayor Bob Crowell

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